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Dear Ms. Rea:

This is in response to your letter received 02 January 2002 inquiring about the status of the response to the Notification of Missing Requirements issued by the Office on 29 March 2001 in U.S. patent application 09/744,186 filed 30 March 2001. A search in the application file and in the Office electronic records do not show receipt of those papers. Should prosecution of the application be desired, applicant should file a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 for acceptance of copies of the response submitted 30 March 2001 along with evidence of receipt in the Office of these papers. The papers should be accompanied by a statement from the attorney that the copies are true copies of what was filed and of the postcard as returned by the USPTO. The petition should be addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box PCT, Washington, DC 20231, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the PCT Legal Office.

Sincerely,

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